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Mystery surrounds vanished BC student

After a daylong search of the Chestnut Hill Reservoir turns up nothing, divers will try again today to locate the missing 21-year-old {page 02}

▶ Franco Garcia's mother, Luzmila, stood vigil beside the Chestnut Hill Reservoir yesterday as state police divers searched for her missing son.

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Feds use Facebook in manhunt

Agents posting ads on the social networking website Aim is to find a Dorchester fugitive {page 06}

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Search continues for missing BC student

Divers will spend today searching reservoir near college ◗ Family has high hope that their son is still alive ◗ Student, friends were talking about travel plans before disappearance

What started as a night out with friends, having drinks and discussing an upcoming spring break trip, has turned into a nearly weeklong search for a missing Boston College student beloved by his community.

Friends and family gathered around the Chestnut Hill Reservoir yesterday and waited with bated breath as state police underwater recovery units scoured the water using special sonar scanners and two divers, looking for 21-year-old Franco Garcia.

After a three-hour search, results came up negative, but the investigation in the reservoir will resume today.

"I know my son is not here," said Garcia's father, Jose Garcia, staring at the lake with tears forming in his eyes. "He's alive — I know he's alive. Something tells me I will see him soon."

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▶ State police search the Chestnut Hill Reservoir yesterday for missing Boston College student Franco Garcia.

"This is not something anyone wants to see happen. I just miss Franco and I want to see him come home. It's too hard to take it all in. I know he's out there."
PABLO MARCHENA, 25, COUSIN

Garcia's mother said she hasn't slept much since her son went missing last Wednesday from Mary Ann's bar in Cleveland Circle.

"No one in the world should feel this pain," said Luzmila Garcia.

Luzmila, like her husband, said she had doubts her son's body will be found in the water.

"He is in some place he does not want to be," she said. "That's my fear — that someone is going to hurt him."

Close friends of Garcia's brought food for his family as they stood by and clutched posters with their son's smiling face printed on them. They waited hours for the results from the search.

"It's just a lot of shock. It has been really tough," said Mark Potash, who has known Garcia since their freshman year.

"Seeing this makes you think of the worst case scenario," he said.

Newton police officials called Garcia's disappearance "very unusual," but foul play has been ruled out.

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Facts in Franco's case

- **Police reviewed surveillance footage from the area** surrounding Mary Ann's in Brighton, but Garcia was not seen.
- **A ping from a cell tower shows that Garcia's phone** was somewhere near the Chestnut Hill Reservoir around 1:15 a.m.
- **There has been no credit card activity** since Garcia's disappearance.

▶ Garcia

Reservoir to be searched today

State police will continue scouring the reservoir near Boston College today in their desperate search for clues into what may have happened to Franco Garcia.

Six divers are expected to spend the day in the water and two police helicopters will be hovering above the reservoir and forested area surrounding it. METRO/SA

In the news

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The number of registered voters in the Bay State has declined by about 80,000 since October 2010, according to the secretary of state's office. The figures released yesterday were as of Feb. 15. SHNS

Today's local tweet

"Either the #MBTA has started pumping marijuana-infused air into their busses, or someone next to me has had a great morning. #happy-commuters"

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Teens face suspension for videotaped fight

LYNN. A violent, videotaped fight between two girls at Lynn English High School resulted in the suspensions of almost 30 students.

A video of the girls was posted on YouTube and schools officials said yesterday that they handed out varying degrees of suspensions to the students involved, according to the Globe.

The city's mayor, who is also the school committee chair, said the students will also be required to do a research paper on a woman who was murdered decades ago in New York City when her cries for help went unanswered. METRO

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More than two dozen teens were suspended for their roles in the attack. The attackers received five-day suspensions, the video recorders received three-day suspensions and the onlookers got one day.

Stranger allegedly sets fire in home

NAHANT. Police arrested a Swampscott man for allegedly breaking in to a Nahant home this weekend and lighting it on fire.

Joshua Carreiro, 18, was drunk when police arrived, according to the Lynn Daily Item.

Carreiro allegedly broke in Saturday night, went to a bedroom and used a candle or lighter to set a wall on fire. METRO

Man faces kidnapping charges after stop

BOSTON. A Methuen man pleaded not guilty to kidnapping the mother of his child and taking her on a wild ride through Boston.

Kenneth Tozier Jr., 24, was arraigned yesterday in South Boston District Court.

Authorities said Tozier's ex-girlfriend, a 34-year-old Lawrence woman, called 911 about 5:30 p.m. Sunday when she said he refused to let her out of the car.

The woman told police they had traveled from Lawrence and were somewhere on Interstate 93 in Boston or Quincy.

A state police trooper spotted the car and stopped it near Columbia Road. METRO

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A judge set Tozier's bail at $750 despite a prosecutor's request that it be set at $100,000. The judge ordered Tozier to stay away from the woman and her child during the case.

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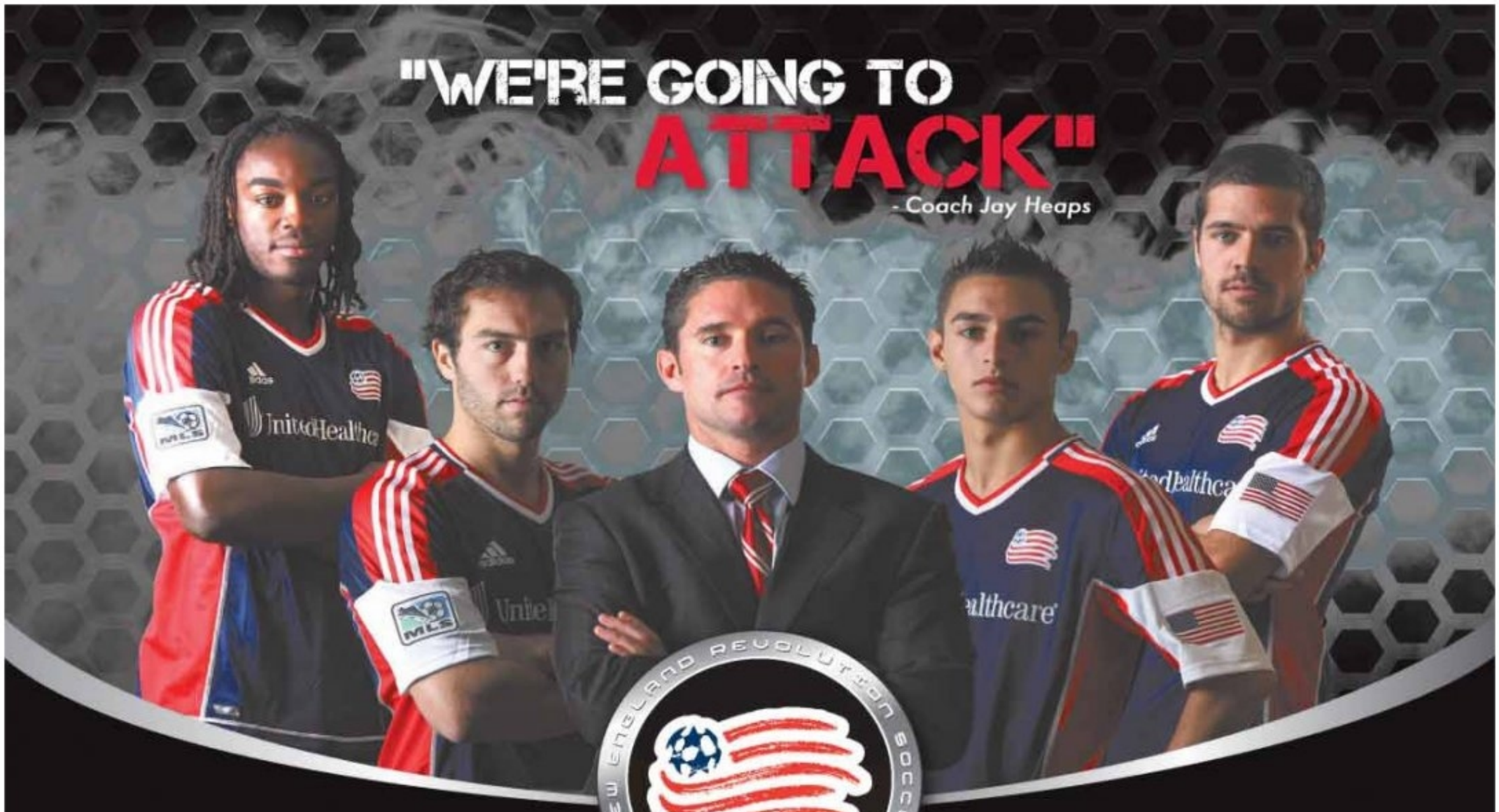

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Film documents Occupy Boston rise and fall

- Film follows the beginning, middle, end of the Dewey Square camp
- Emerson student traces movement and obstacles inside occupation

From the first tent that went up in Dewey Square in late September to the last one dismantled by Boston police several months later, John Forrester captured the Occupy Boston movement on film.

On March 1, Forrester will debut "The Occupiers," a documentary tracing the emergence of the group through the perspective of the occupation's activists.

"There hasn't been a lot of activism in our generation. We are known as this apathetic generation," said Forrester. "We thought it was interesting that people were stepping up to do something in a major kind of way."

Quoted

"We saw potential for this being something big. It wasn't political, or aiming to make a political film, we just wanted to document history."
JOHN FORRESTER

Forrester said it was curiosity that initially brought him and film co-creator Joseph Leahy to one of the first Occupy meetings, and from there the cameras started to roll.

The film was part of a graduate school project at Emerson College that Forrester started with his classmate.

Forrester said the duo spent many nights at the camp once it was constructed, embedding themselves in the marches, protests and "direct action" around Boston.

"We tried to … retain distance from the movement and report on it fairly and objectively, and I think we succeeded," he said.

The film steers clear of advancing any political views occupiers may have had, but follows the daily tasks of several of its key members, highlighting life inside Dewey Square.

Focusing on the creation of the Occupy community and the challenges they faced both inside camp as well as in court, Forrester filmed the hurdles occupiers were forced to deal with as a group.

"It's a bit of history. It's a portrait at its core," said Forrester. "It's not a definitive historical record, but it's what went on from the perspectives of [the occupiers]."

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▶ John Forrester filmed an upcoming documentary titled "The Occupiers" about the Occupy Boston movement.

What spring could bring

Soon after the banishment from Dewey Square, the occupiers sought indoor space to hold their meetings.

But months have passed since the physical demise of Occupy Boston's encampment and spring is nearing.

While Forrester admits the group has had "some hiccups" since they lost their home base, he said there is potential for the movement to gain momentum once spring arrives.

"It remains to be seen … spring could bring more actions and I think there will be more national Occupy dialogue," he said.

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News in pictures

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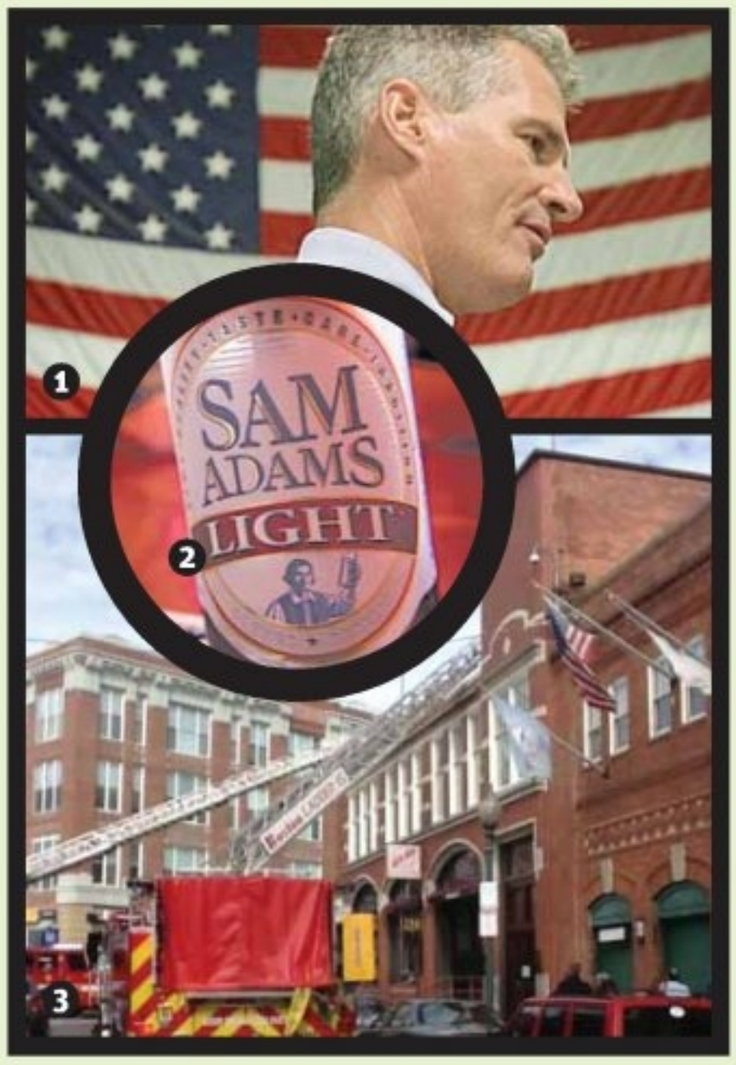

1 Hazardous material crews responded to Sen. Scott Brown's Boston office yesterday afternoon for a suspicious package. Tests on the envelope were negative and it was shipped to a lab for investigation.

2 Boston Beer Co., the maker of Sam Adams beer, is now tied with D.G. Yuengling & Son as the largest American-owned brewer, according to CNBC. Both companies reported they shipped 2.5 million barrels.

3 Firefighters responded to Fenway Park yesterday for a small fire sparked by an electrical short circuit. Damage was estimated at $100,000. METRO

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DA reverses on cop shooting motive

A spokeswoman for Essex County District Attorney Jonathan Blodgett said the motive behind the shooting of a Beverly police officer by another officer from out of town will be investigated.

Carrie Kimball Monahan told the Globe earlier yesterday that it would not be investigated because Hamilton Sgt. Ken Nagy killed himself after shooting Beverly Officer Jason Lantych Friday night.

There were still no details released about why the shooting occurred. Authorities have said that the men knew each other and arranged to meet at a Beverly Starbucks. Both were off duty.

Authorities have also said Nagy's wife worked as a domestic violence advocate with the Beverly Police Department.

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The officers:

The officers involved in the shooting were both veterans in their departments.

- Officer Jason Lantych, 35, is a 10-year veteran in Beverly. He was shot in the leg and wrist, but is doing OK.
- Sgt. Ken Nagy worked for the Hamilton Police Department for 19 years.

▶ Blodgett

FBI asks for public's help in manhunt

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▶ Hartin's age enhancement

Federal authorities are renewing their efforts and using social media to hunt down a Dorchester man who has been on the run for nearly two decades after being accused of sexually abusing two young boys.

John Joseph Hartin was charged in 1993 with five counts of statutory rape of a child on two young boys he befriended in the Boston area.

"John Hartin has been on the run for 18 years, much too long for the victims of his alleged crimes," FBI Special Agent Kristina Norris said in a statement.

Besides using traditional means of attracting interest in Hartin's case — offering a new $25,000 reward for information — federal agents are taking to social media.

The FBI's Boston Division is, for the first time, using limited Facebook ads to search for a fugitive, the agency said.

The Facebook ads, along with digital billboards, were slated to start running yesterday. Hartin was featured on a local TV station earlier this month, and some new leads have come in, an FBI spokesman said yesterday.

Hartin, 42, is 5-foot-8 and weighed about 200 pounds when he was last seen. He should be considered armed and dangerous.

Anyone with information can call 800-CALL-FBI.

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Law would require adult for minors piercings

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MASS. Body piercing for youth under the age of 18 would be prohibited unless the minor were accompanied by a parent or legal guardian under a bill that received a favorable recommendation yesterday from the Committee on Public Health. The bill, filed by Rep. Bruce Ayers, would direct the Department of Public Health to develop parental approval rules and regulations relative to the licensure and monitoring of people in the business of human body piercing. SHNS

DiMasi still seeking pension funds

BOSTON. Former House Speaker Salvatore DiMasi will have to wait until at least April to learn whether his $4,200-per-month pension — suspended after he was slapped with an eight-year prison sentence on corruption charges — will be reinstated while he appeals his conviction in federal court. DiMasi's attorney Thomas Kiley said he plans to submit a brief on the issue by the end of March, and the government's brief is due in April. Kiley has argued that DiMasi, who has been deemed indigent by a judge and entitled to a court-appointed attorney, should continue to receive pension benefits while his appeal is pending. SHNS

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WikiLeaks sharing mails from global security firm

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▶ Julian Assange founded whistleblowing website WikiLeaks.

The anti-secrecy group WikiLeaks yesterday began publishing more than five million e-mails from a U.S.-based global security analysis company that has been likened to a shadow CIA.

The e-mails, snatched by hackers, could unmask sensitive sources and throw light on the murky world of intelligence-gathering by the company known as Stratfor, which counts Fortune 500 companies among its subscribers.

Stratfor in a statement said the release of its stolen e-mails was an attempt to silence and intimidate it.

It said it would not be cowed under the leadership of George Friedman, Stratfor's founder and chief executive officer. It said Friedman had not resigned as CEO, contrary to a bogus e-mail circulating on the Internet.

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Gas jumps to $3.69 a gallon on Iran jitters

The world's leading economies have said Sunday they are "alert to the risks of higher oil prices" and discussed at length the impact that sanctions on Iran will have on crude supplies and global growth.

Finance ministers and central bankers from the Group of 20 said in a statement, after two days of talks, that they welcomed a commitment from producer countries to ensure oil supplies.

Higher prices at the gas pump could undercut the U.S. economic recovery.

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▶ High prices at the pump

News in brief

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▶ Chardon High School

One dead in Ohio school shooting

CHARDON, OHIO. A student opened fire with a handgun in the cafeteria of an Ohio high school near Cleveland yesterday, fatally wounding one student and shooting four others before a teacher chased him from the building and he gave himself up, authorities said.

Four boys and one girl had been hospitalized after the 7:30 a.m. shooting at Chardon High School that sent students fleeing in panic. The suspect, a male youth, was in custody, police said.

One student died at the hospital. He was identified as Daniel Parmentor, 17.

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More cruise woe: Costa ship adrift

A Carnival Corp. cruise liner carrying more than 1,000 people remained adrift off the Seychelles after a fire shut down its engines, six weeks after at least 25 people died in an accident aboard a sister ship, the Costa Concordia.

No one was injured in the fire on the Costa Allegra, the Miami-based company's Italian unit, Costa Crociere SpA said in an e-mailed statement today. A general emergency alarm was declared as a precautionary measure and passengers were asked to assemble in muster areas, the company said. The fire was extinguished and didn't spread to other parts of the cruise liner. **BLOOMBERG**

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Is Obamacare a secret capitalist plot?

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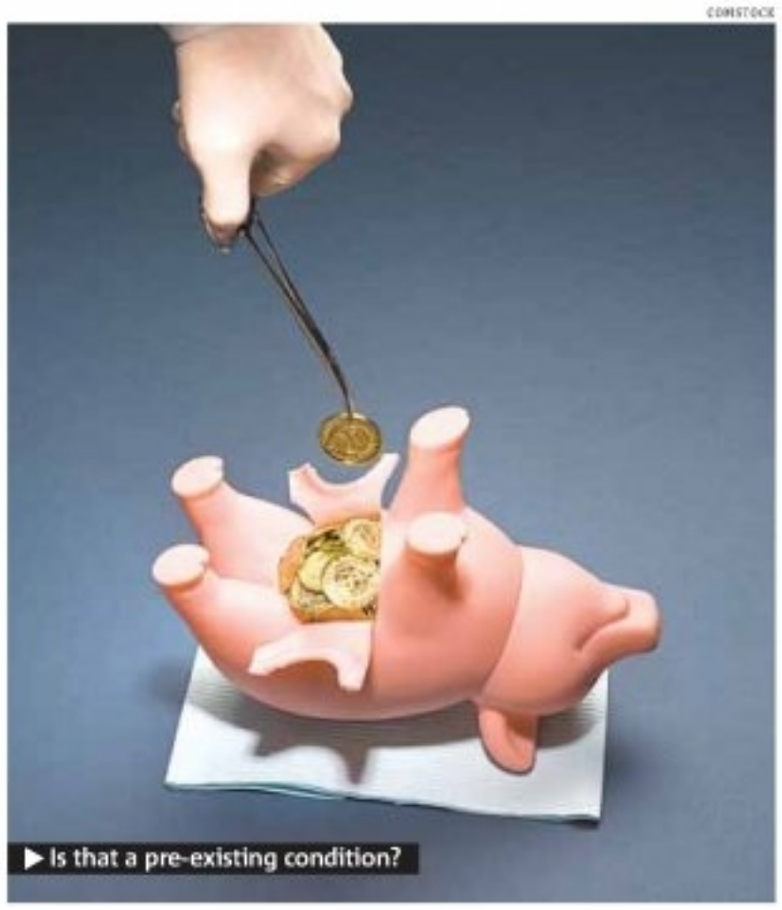
With a politically charged Supreme Court review this summer, we can expect a renewed frenzy over Obamacare. Like the dark prince, Beelzebub, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act is a creature known by many names. And while there is much about the polarizing new law and its enactment process that deserves criticism, many of the most important and interesting parts of the law remain poorly understood.

The exchange system — the network of state-administered markets that the act creates — is the central component of Obamacare, and it provides surprising insight into the law's approach to state rights, consumer choice and regulated markets.

The exchange system is like an imaginary supermarket that only sells health insurance. To be sold on the exchange, an insurance plan must clearly display its "nutritional facts" to make comparison shopping easier. Each plan must also abide by basic quality standards designed to ensure that every plan sold on the exchange provides an adequate range of coverage for the price. For instance, plans on the exchange must spend at least 80 percent of premiums on health care, instead of things like executive pay, marketing or corporate jets. The exchange excludes plans that deny coverage for pre-existing conditions and puts limits on plans that try to charge more for riskier customers.



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▶ Is that a pre-existing condition?

In addition to federal regulation, each state can adjust the rules of its own exchange and offer a state-level "public option" to compete on the exchange. With a federal blessing, states can even band together to create regional exchanges. Under the Act, a state can opt out of the exchange system entirely, if it can create an alternative health insurance program that achieves equal or better coverage for the same cost.

But why would any self-respecting insurance company want to play by these new rules and participate in the exchanges? Because only plans on the exchange are eligible to receive the new federal health insurance subsidies.

For those who do not receive coverage through their employer and spend more than 10 percent of their income on health care costs, Obamacare provides a tax credit sufficient to bring those costs below 10 percent — provided one's health insurance is purchased on the exchange. By 2019, $113 billion in subsidies will be up for grabs each year on the exchanges, according to CBO estimates. Only by competing with the other plans on the exchange can insurance companies hope to get their hands on those juicy federal dollars.

The exchange system is a true capitalist's solution to the health insurance problem. It creates a regulated marketplace where for-profit, nonprofit and public insurance providers alike compete on the merits for customers who can easily compare the costs and benefits of each plan. And the exchange system gives states the flexibility to experiment with alternatives, while challenging them to compete with one another.

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▶ What do you call this stance? Angeling Jolie-ing? Angelegging?

Jolie's Oscar leg launches a thousand memes

It's two days after the Oscars and the world isn't talking about how **Billy Crystal** did as a host (meh!), who won ("The Artist," a lot!), or who lost (**Viola Davis**, you were robbed!). Nope. The world is focused on one thing: **Angelina Jolie**'s leg.

Her awkward red carpet stance, in which she made sure her right leg was constantly on display through the slit in her black, velvet Atelier Versace gown, is a pose that has launched a thousand Internet memes, from a Twitter handle — @AngiesRightLeg — which is nearing 15,000 followers with tweets like, "You have to admit I'm one hell of a leg!" to a Tumblr account entitled "Angelina Jolie'ing," where readers can upload photos of themselves showing off their ashy thighs.

There's no reason for why she stood like that, time and time again. (My theory: Her bony leg was poking out to sniff around for a sandwich.) But perhaps the best mocking of the leg came from "The Descendants" co-writer **Jim Rash**, who hit the stage with **Alexander Payne** and **Nat Faxon** to accept the award for Best Adapted Screenplay. The look was quickly imitated by Faxon, but the scribes insist they weren't mocking the actress. "She's supremely hot," Faxon said backstage, while Rash was quick to explain his actions: "I just saw her pose and I thought, you know what, we have exactly the same legs," the writer. "It was more like, 'Oh, she's standing, great, I'm going to stand like that, too.'"

Rash better watch it. No one mocks Angelina Jolie in front of her face and gets away with it. The last person who probably did that was **Billy Bob Thornton**, and we're pretty sure he's currently working at a Cracker Barrel in Parissapany, N.J.

Stylist: It wasn't a nip slip!

Many eagle-eyed viewers were convinced they caught **Jennifer Lopez** having a wardrobe malfunction while presenting at the Oscars, but her stylist, **Mariel Haenn**, insists there was no nipple-baring. "The dress fit perfectly to her every inch. There were cups built in and there's no chance that there were any, how do you say? 'slips,'" Haenn posted on Twitter. "While the dress did give the illusion of sheer-ness, joke's on everyone who wishes they saw something."

The feed ...

▶ Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Olivia Wilde is feeling appreciated, Jason Alexander has weird tastes, Victoria Beckham is shopping and Conan O'Brien is having trouble with puns.

@oliviawilde
Nothing makes a girl feel special like a homeless man screaming "now those some hips!" as she walk by.

@IJasonAlexander
For me, a great day is defined by whether 7/11 has the blueberry coffee. Today is a great day.

@victoriabeckham
Amazing! baby knee pads for when babies start crawling!!

@ConanOBrien
Just saw a Jeremy Lin jersey on sale for $300. These prices are Jeremy insane! Wait... Did I do that wrong?

Talking points

Jolie and Pitt to work together again

They first fell for each other while making a movie together, so it was just a matter of time before **Brad Pitt** and **Angelina Jolie** teamed up again onscreen. And now the Hollywood power couple is looking for another project. "We're talking about it. We have an idea," Jolie tells E! News, adding that it won't be a "Mr. and Mrs. Smith" sequel — or a comedy at all, most likely. "We don't know how funny we are." In fact, they might not be playing lovers in any way. "You never know what you want to see an actual couple do," says Jolie. "Sometimes it's better if they're not a couple."

Hathaway and Lohan have something in common?

While most might not think so, **Anne Hathaway** insists she can relate to a particularly troubled young starlet. "**Lindsay Lohan** and I have more in common than people think," Hathaway tells the Sun. "We've all done things we shouldn't. I wasted time doing self-destructive things." And exactly what sort of things are we talking about here? "I found you can only dance on so many tabletops," Hathaway says. "I got all that out of my system."

▶ Hathaway

Federline's parenting tips

Kevin Federline is determined to keep his two sons with **Britney Spears** grounded — even if it means working in fast food. "I'll have them working at Micky D's. That's how we had to do it. I worked at a car wash. I worked at a pizza place. Things like that made me," Federline tells Australia's Herald Sun. "Sean and Jayden have missed out on so much of that with me and their mom being so busy all the time. Now we've both agreed that this is it, they are going to be at school and learn what it's like to be part of society as kids."

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Scenes from the Vanity Fair Oscar party

1. Sisters **Venus** and **Serena Williams** wore Christiane King to the famed after-party, held Sunday night at Sunset Tower in West Hollywood, Calif.

2. "Ready for the Vanity Fair Oscar party!!" **Sofia Vergara** tweeted before arriving in a white, strapless Roberto Cavalli gown.

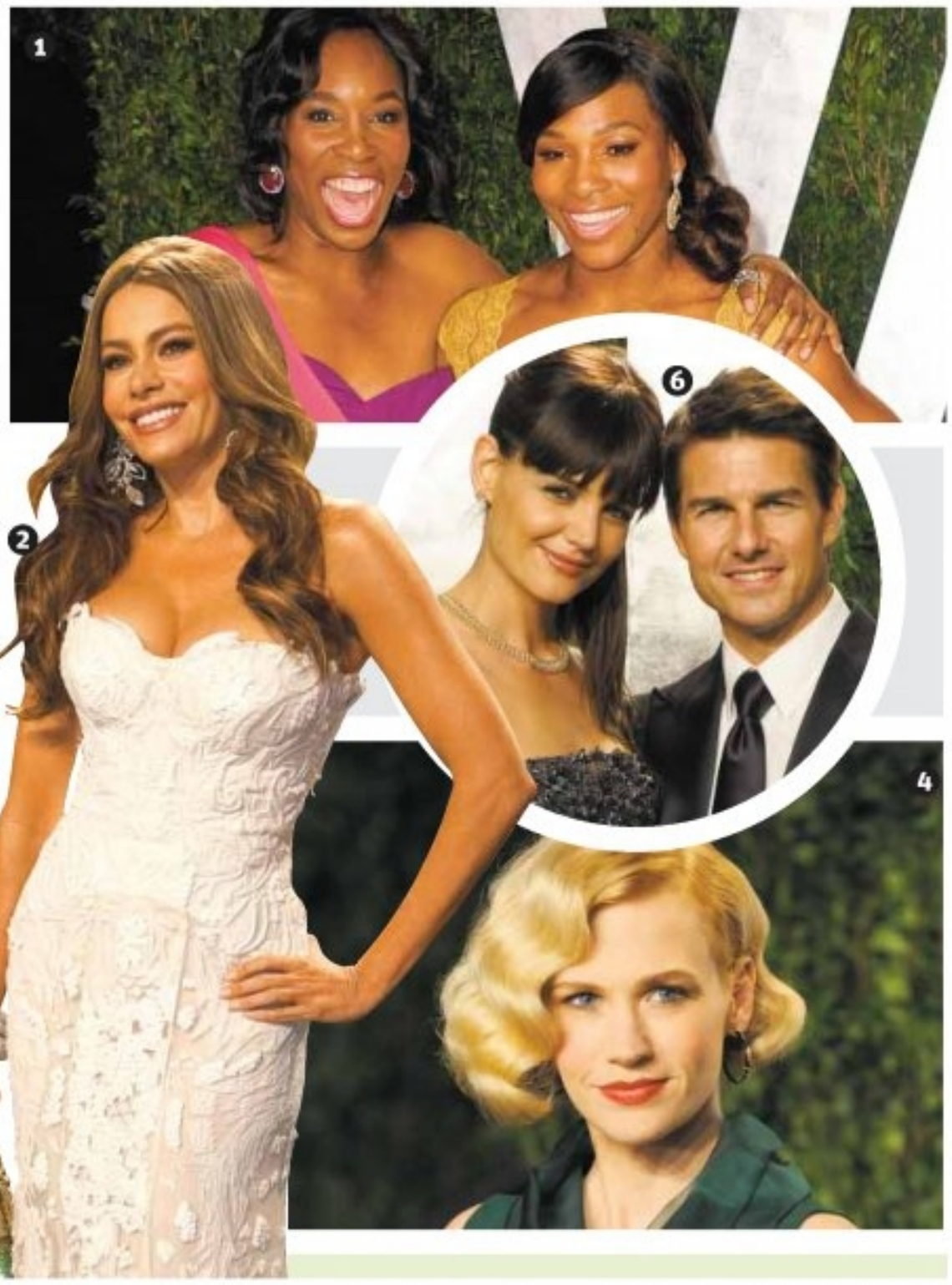
3. Jon Hamm brought girlfriend **Jennifer Westfeldt** to Hollywood's hottest soiree.

4. New mom **January Jones** stepped out to celebrate Oscar night in a two-toned green and brown ensemble.

5. David Beckham and **Victoria Beckham** arrived arm in arm, with Victoria wearing a strapless gown from her own Victoria Beckham Collection.

6. Of power couple **Katie Holmes** and **Tom Cruise**, Holmes wore an Elie Saab Haute Couture strapless chiffon gown teamed with Chanel heels.

7. Kelly Ripa and **Mark Consuelos** showed that sometimes, the perfect accessory is each other.



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Sole steady

- Finn puts his band on Hold for 'Clear Heart Full Eyes'
- Singer on 'pushing forward to the point of discomfort'

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▶ Finn says his solo songs are darker than his band songs.

Love that dirty water

Finn was born in Boston and went to Boston College. He says coming back to play at Great Scott is an interesting experience.

"I mean, 10 years ago Great Scott was a B.C. bar and there were Grateful Dead cover bands, so it's funny to be back at Great Scott," he muses. "It used to mean something totally different in the 1990s, so that's kind of cool. Everything has changed. When I go back somewhere it's more about catching up with old friends."

Best known as the frontman and lyricist for the Hold Steady, Craig Finn is taking a brief hiatus from the band and going out on his own. His solo record, "Clear Heart Full Eyes," came out earlier this month and he's now on tour to promote and preview his new songs.

"We decided to take a four- or five-month break and I needed something to do," says Finn. "I had made five records in seven years with the Hold Steady and figured I would step outside and get some perspective. That's the best way to grow artistically. I'm a big fan of pushing forward to the point of discomfort. I took new approaches with this one that would benefit me and the Hold Steady."

With an educated and spoken-word delivery, Finn's rapid rants often reflect the passion that Jack Kerouac was able to put to his typewriter with the immediacy of those amphetamine-fueled fingers. But while Finn's recurring characters strayed from the straight and narrow, his band's songs usually offered some sort of solace or catharsis in the end — with his solo record, not so much.

"I think [the solo record] lacks some of the optimism that the Hold Steady has," notes Finn. "The Hold Steady is positive, and there's a celebrated nature to the music. I chose to take a little break from that."

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▶ Crosby (Dax Shepard) and Jasmine (Joy Bryant) tie the knot on "Parenthood."

CHRIS HASTON/NBC

'BREAKFAST' OF CHAMPIONS

Chiddy Bang may be able to rock longer than anyone else in the world
But that's only part of the reason they get people on the floor

If college is the time for exploring ideas and finding yourself, then Chidera "Chiddy" Anamege and Noah "Xaphoon Jones" Bersin spent their time on campus well. Since meeting as freshmen at Drexel University, the duo known as Chiddy Bang made it a regular practice to push hip-hop's boundaries. Now with nearly 17 million YouTube views for their breakout hit, "Opposite Of Adults," which samples MGMT's "Kids," they're primed for the release of their debut, "Breakfast," which comes out today. But what exactly is it about Chiddy Bang that makes the frat boys go crazy?

Xaphoon Jones' alternative rock and electronica-based tracks paired with Chiddy's party time lyrics have helped them find an increasing worldwide fan base.

It also doesn't hurt that Pharrell Williams, known for his work with Jay-Z, Justin Timberlake, Busta Rhymes and Britney Spears, co-produced "Breakfast" with Xaphoon Jones. Even though there are a few unusual samples, the hip-hop ethics remain the same: Give the people something they can feel.

"You harness the energy and get the people going crazy."
CHIDDY BANG, ON ROCKING A PARTY

Xaphoon Jones, left, and Chiddy are ready for battle.

"It's like having a dance music mentality," says Chiddy. "In dance music, there's no rules. You harness the energy and get the people going crazy. I just take that, slow it down to a hip-hop tempo and try to f— some people's heads up."

The MC and DJ combo of Chiddy Bang is a bit of a nod to the classic duos throughout hip-hop history. Chiddy is the current Guinness World Record holder for longest freestyle, so even though "Breakfast" is the first meal of their dawning career, it's not a stretch to put the duo with the greats.

"The rappers I loved had bars for days," Chiddy says. "I grew up freestyling. I was a freshman in high school, battling seniors. [It was] me against, like, the captain of the football team — straight destroying him!"

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▶ **Pick hypoallergenic studs.**
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▶ **Clean the piercing daily.**
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Re: 'New War?' Debate rages on

Tunisia, Egypt and Libya saw successful government turnovers (including the ousting of Gaddafi which Reagan's administration couldn't accomplish) without the deaths of U.S. military. Does Mr. Stark suggest another Iraq-type invasion in Syria?
KATHY KOURIAN, BEDFORD

No one is standing idly by while the Assad regime is murdering their own citizens. The U.N. attempt to stop the slaughter was shut down by China and Russia, both voting members of the Security Council. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton is doing what she can to stop the madness. His actions have made him persona non grata to most nations in the Middle East, some of whom are quietly arming the rebels.
RENEE GREEN, VIA E-MAIL

Re: 'Like Yelp, but for teachers'

Contrary to Frederick Bedell's opinion, parents do not need to know who are the "good" or "bad" teachers in public education because this will lead to a nightmare for the administration. In addition, what the media does not report is the methodology by which data was collected to rate teachers. I urge your readers to research this and discover for themselves how useless and incorrect it is. **MARISA MILITELLO, VIA E-MAIL**

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♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** Companions might have a difficult time getting a handle on your mood. In some instances you'll be extremely kind, while other times the Scrooge in you might come to the fore.
♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** Be careful what you say and to whom. Someone might quote your comments out of context and hurt both of you.
♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** If you're not careful, there is a good chance that you'll be intimidated by your own imagination.
♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** Sensing a friend's fragile mood, the timing might not be exactly right to remind him or her about an overdue financial obligation.
♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** When seeking advice concerning a troublesome situation, don't settle for just one person's opinion.
♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** The ideas or suggestions of family might be superior to your thoughts on handling a delicate situation. Don't allow your ego to block your eardrums.
♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** If you're smart, you won't waste a lot of time looking for easy outs.
♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** An arrangement that you're involved in might be of dubious value, so don't rely on another. You will be better off overcoming the obstacles yourself.
♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** When it comes to serving your own self-interest, you're likely to be extremely productive, but if you are required to help out another, your faculties could suddenly shut down.
♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Think before investing in a situation about which you know little to nothing.
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STAY HEALTHY IN FLIGHT

▶ Improve your mood and boost your immune system by staying as well-rested as possible before, during and after your trip.

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Thanks to crowded flights with recycled air, catching a cold or other virus is a common post-flight fate — especially now during flu season Here are some simple tips to help you survive unscathed

Lather, rinse, repeat

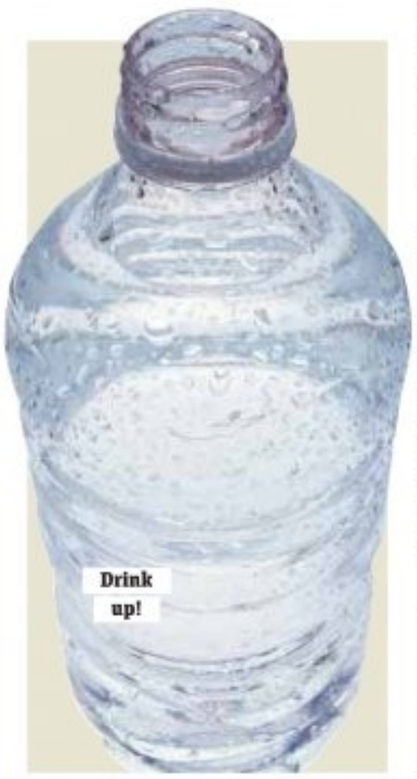
This may seem obvious, but it bears a reminder: Wash your hands regularly. To do it effectively, experts recommend scrubbing your hands with soap, under warm running water, for at least 20 seconds. But in a pinch, a hand sanitizer will do. Plus, it's nice to have a quick-clean option after touching surfaces like sticky arm rests and tray tables.

Keep moving

Long-haul flights can do a number on the body, causing cramps, muscle pain and neck strain. Taking periodic walks up and down the aisle is one remedy, but there are other alternatives, like yoga poses. A sun salutation in the aisle may not be appreciated, so try these less space-consuming moves. Seated twist: Place one hand on the opposite knee and twist your torso toward that hand. Hold for 30 seconds, then switch. Hip stretch: Cross one leg over the other and lean forward, folding over your legs. Hold, then switch legs and repeat.

Stay hydrated

While flying, it's best to avoid drinks that will dehydrate you. The list includes all of our favorite vices, from alcoholic beverages to caffeinated sodas and coffee. Try drinking water or juice instead, and don't rely on the airline to provide enough during your flight. It's always a good idea to bring a water bottle with you, filling it up at a water fountain before you board the plane. This alternative is better than buying bottled water at the airport — not only for environmental reasons, but because you'll want to stay hydrated on your trip too, whether you're spending time on the beach or gallivanting around a big city.



Get rest

Improve your mood and boost your immune system by staying as well-rested as possible before, during and after your trip. To help aid in-flight sleep, pack your own travel pillow and blanket. A great set of noise-cancelling headphones and an eye-pillow are also recommended. And if all else fails, a glass of warm milk is always an option.

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In the news

Varitek to retire

Red Sox catcher Jason Varitek will announce his retirement Thursday, multiple sources said yesterday.

The longest tenured member of the Sox, Varitek was the starting catcher on two World Series teams and caught four no-hitters, which is an MLB record.

A lasting image of the catcher will be the still-shot of his mitt smashed into the face of Yankees third baseman Alex Rodriguez from July 24, 2004.

REVOLUTION PREVIEW

Starting fresh

New coach, new unis, new front office ◗ This ain't your big brother's Revolution ◗ Influx of youth could get Revs back to MLS top in a hurry

In 2012, the New England Revolution are pressing the reset button.

Not that the franchise necessarily needed a new beginning. Attendance has been relatively strong at Gillette Stadium/Foxboro Stadium since the program got off the ground in 1996 and the team has seen its fair share of success on the field, having appeared in four MLS Cup finals (2002, '05, '06, '07).

But management felt the need to tweak, as former head coach Steve Nicol, who had led the Revolution for a decade, was let go after the team finished last in the MLS's Eastern Conference.

▶ Jay Heaps returns as Revs' head coach.

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"He has a great attitude, a great plan for how he wants things to be run ... the work ethic on this team will be unparalleled."

REVOLUTION PRESIDENT BRIAN BILELLO ON HEAD COACH JAY HEAPS

Brought in for the fresh start at head coach was former Revolution star defender and New England native Jay Heaps. To some onlookers, the hire was a curious move as the 35-year-old Heaps has little head coaching experience.

"He's a really dynamic guy and that's what we were looking for," said another fresh face in Brian Bilello, who was promoted to team president last November. "In our league, the rules change constantly. It's not like the NFL where we're drafting guys out of one geographical region each year. There's a lot of changing that goes on year to year and (Heaps) isn't afraid to change the way he thinks about things."

Heaps' résumé is quite impressive despite the lack of head coaching experience. He was most recently working at Morgan Stanley's private wealth division and has also been a color commentator for Revolution broadcasts since retiring from the game in 2009.

Heaps played soccer at Duke University before being selected No. 2 overall in the 1999 MLS Draft and was a pupil of legendary Blue Devils coach Mike Krzyzewski as he admittedly "rode the pine" on the basketball team during the late '90s. But Heaps learned a great deal from the Hall of Fame coach every day and plans to practice many of his lessons.

"I want to emulate a lot of the things Coach K does," Heaps told Metro. "His passion is the main thing and it's contagious. I also love how blatantly honest he is. He doesn't lie, he doesn't BS you. He gives it to you straight and brings it every day, every night."

Heaps has surrounded himself with an experienced coaching staff in hopes of returning the franchise to glory.

"There's a realism to this fresh start," Heaps said. "When things get a little stale, you bring in new faces and sometimes it calls for a rebirth. We need to find our own identity."

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▶ Fans will get their first look at the new Revs March 10 when they travel to San Jose. The first Revs home game is March 24.

Rev it up

Three players to watch this season:

1 With the third overall pick in the 2012 MLS SuperDraft, the Revs used it on UCLA midfielder **Kelyn Rowe.** The 20-year-old Rowe looks to make an immediate impact on a Revs team that could use help across the board. A U.S. under-23 national team player, Rowe has been a huge reason the Revolution are 5-0-0 in preseason play. He has four goals and four assists to date.

2 **A.J. Soares,** a defender, started 28 games for the Revs last season, logging a whopping 2,464 minutes (high for a rookie). Soares isn't a huge player, but will still use his body to win balls and isn't afraid to get physical (two yellow cards, two red cards last season).

3 **Benny Feilhaber** is now the face of the Revolution, and for good reason. He was acquired through the MLS Allocation Process last season after he signed on to join MLS in April and was quickly snatched up by the Revs after two teams in front of them passed for reasons having to do with dollar figures. He has made 38 appearances with the U.S. national team and was a member of the 2010 FIFA World Cup and 2008 Olympic squads. He started 23 games last season for the Revs.

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"We've added some veteran depth, specifically on Rolston."

BRUINS GM PETER CHIARELLI

▶ Brian Rolston

Bruins add trio of new players at the deadline

With a key Bruins player succumbing to injury seemingly every week, general manager Peter Chiarelli was thinking as much quantity as quality at Monday's trade deadline.

Toward that end, the Bruins made a pair of trades Monday, bringing in left-shot defenseman Mike Mottau and forward Brian Rolston from the Islanders in exchange for prospects Yannick Riendeau and Marc Cantin. The Bruins also acquired a second lefty defenseman – and shot-blocking specialist – Greg Zanon from Minnesota for Steve Kampfer.

With Zanon and Mottau, the Bruins shored up their defense, while Rolston helps offset the loss of Nathan Horton (concussion) and Rich Peverley (knee). Johnny Boychuck may also miss time with concussion-like symptoms after taking a hit Saturday night in Ottawa against the Senators. JEFF GOLDBERG

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